

# The People of the State of Vermont

TO:

**Timothy Taylor** of Thetford, VT

**GREETINGS:** 

KNOW by these presents, that under the authority of the State of Vermont, in the Governor vested, you are hereby appointed and constituted

## Chair, District #3 Environmental Commission

and you are fully authorized and empowered to exercise the duties of said office for the term of 2 years or the balance thereof, from and including the 3rd day of February, 2015 to and including the 31st day of January, 2017 and until your successor is appointed and has qualified.

You will, therefore, with care and faithfulness, execute the duties of your said office, for the term aforesaid, by doing and performing, all and singular, the matters and things thereto relating, without partiality or favor to any person or party, but with equal right and justice to all, according to law. And all persons concerned are required to take due notice hereof and govern themselves accordingly.



IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto subscribed my name and caused the Great Seal of the State to be hereunto affixed. Done in the Executive Chamber at Montpelier, this 3rd day of February, two thousand and fifteen, and of the Independence of the United States, the two hundred and thirty-ninth.

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By the Governor:

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Be ready to provide basic information about your project such as location, type of development, number of lots to be subdivided, size and any other related permits that have been issued.

**Submit Application** 

AGENCY OF NATURAL RESOURCES PERMIT SPECIALISTS can also help advise on what other permits you may need, or with information that may be requested by the Act 250 District Coordinator.



### STEP 2

Jurisdictional Opinion (JO)
May Be Issued (if requested)

A ruling that determines whether an

Act 250 permit/amendment is required for
a proposed project. JOs are issued by the

Act 250 District Coordinators.

#### **ACT 250 PERMIT REQUIRED**

If the JO concludes **YES** an Act 250 permit is required, an Act 250 application will need to be submitted. The JO may be reconsidered by a District Coordinator upon request.

#### ACT 250 PERMIT NOT REQUIRED

If the JO concludes there is **NO**Act 250 jurisdiction, no permit/
amendment will be required.

# Appeal to Superior Court An immediate appeal (within 30 days) of the JO can be filed with Superior Court.

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Applicant submits an Act 250 application to the District Coordinator.

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ACT 250 PERMIT NOT REQUIRED JO UPHELD, ACT 250 PERMIT REQUIRED

Application process continues.





# **HEARING**

- ❖ LESS FORMAL, HEARSAY EV., RELAX, DIFFUSE TENSION, ASK ??
- CRITERION 8 (AESTHETICS, SCENIC AND NATURAL BEAUTY)
  - 1. NOISE
  - 2. BURDEN ON THOSE OPPOSING PROJECT
  - 3. QUECHEE TEST 2 PART TEST
    - a. Adverse effect: does the project fit? Harmony
    - b. Yes, done; No: Undue???
      - 1. Written Community Standard—Town Plan
      - 2. Offend the Sensibilities of the Average Person i.e. out of character with its surroundings diminishes the scenic qualities of the area
    - c. Mitigation Steps: What has the applicant done to reduces its impact
- FIREWORKS AND NOISE: RIVERSIDE EXAMPLE NO & YES GROOM'S CABIN

## Concern

• The Commission recommends repealing the exemption for farming, logging, and forestry below 2,500 feet when these occur in areas that have been designated as critical resource areas.

